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Sir:

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It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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### OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

B11	German Categorization of Manufacturing Methods DIN 8580 as presented in Dubbel – Taschenbuch fuer den Maschinenbau (Handbook for Mechanical Engineering), 20 <sup>th</sup> edition, Springer Verlag 2001, Chapter S see specification
B12	Description of URI structure available at <a href="http://www.w3.org/Addressing">http://www.w3.org/Addressing</a> , accessed on January 17, 2006
B13	VDI Guideline VDI 2885 see specification
B14	German Categorization of Manufacturing Methods DIN 31 051 see specification
B15	German Categorization of Manufacturing Methods DIN 40041 see specification
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